

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	PERRIN et al.	Examiner:	Robin Annette Hylton
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Title:	CAP AND CLOSURE SYSTEM FOR CLOSING A LARGE POTABLE LIQUID BOTTLE		

EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants' Representative, Gregory Sebald, spoke with Examiner Robin Hylton via telephone on April 20, 2009. Also present via telephone for the interview was Martin Tremblay from Smart & Biggar in Montreal, Canada, Applicants' Canadian Patent Agent. Claims 11 and 73 were discussed, as well as the Faulstich '137 reference. In addition, the term "adjacent" and how it should be interpreted was discussed. No agreement was reached. The function and reuse of the skirt in Faulstich teaching away from the claims of the present application was also discussed. The Examiner did not agree with the assertions of Applicants' Representatives. Finally, using the alternative term "adjoining" was discussed. The Examiner indicated that including this term would overcome the Section 102 rejection, but did not agree that it would overcome a Section 103 rejection. No resolution was reached.

Applicants' Representatives thank Examiner Hylton for the cooperation and courtesy extended during the interview. If a further interview would be helpful in this matter, please contact Applicants' representative at 612.336.4728.



Respectfully submitted,

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